

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2435
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019**

UNORGANISED WORKERS IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

2435. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has put in place a registration programme to bring all the workers of unorganised sector under the ambit of social security under which all workers are to be issued an Unorganised Workers Identification Number (UWIN) card, if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) the number of workers in unorganised sector, State-wise; and**
- (c) the number of workers having been issued UWIN Cards and the time by when the remaining workers are scheduled to be issued such cards, State-wise?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)**

(a) to (c): Unorganised Workers Identification Number (UWIN) Project was envisaged to provide National Database for Unorganised Workers and providing them with unique identification number. The pilot project for UWIN was commissioned in the State of Maharashtra in September, 2018 and the portal was also been made live. During the dry run of the project, it was observed that the software application, although was field ready, lacked the necessary security features and scalability for nation-wide rollout. As the software application had an in-built feature for Aadhaar authentication, it was necessary to put in place adequate security and data privacy measures in order to make the application sufficiently secure. For a national rollout, the application needs to have the sufficient level of scalability so as to ensure

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stability and reasonable availability for concurrent usage in multiple regions of the country. Further, this data base also required to be Aadhaar Seeded to ensure targeted delivery during the later stage of project. Accordingly, the entire project was reviewed by this Ministry and it has been slightly retuned. Now, it has been decided that no new card or number will be issued separately to the unorganised workers. A National Database for Unorganised Workers will be prepared and this database will be accessed through Aadhaar number for future references. National Informatics Centre (NIC) has been entrusted with the task to develop this data base.
